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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the San Benito One Million Gallon Ground Storage Water Tank in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the city of San Benito, Texas, located at 401 N. Sam Houston Boulevard, San Benito, Texas 78586. The funding would be used to replace an existing storage tank that is a critical element of the utility system but is structurally unsafe, presents a public hazard, and is economically infeasible to repair because it has exceeded its expected service life. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the proposed improvements will result in a number of positive benefits that help meet or maintain Safe Water Act standards, as reflected in a reduction in the frequency and magnitude of negative impacts to the human health and environment in the community, including reduced sanitary sewer overflows, water losses/water conservation/service interruptions, and low water pressures/chlorine residuals.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Vicente Gonzalez
Member of Congress